

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Initially, Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for conducting an interview with Applicant's representative, Steven C. Stewart, on October 21, 2008.

During the interview, Applicant's representative presented arguments distinguishing the claims from the cited references. In particular, Applicant's representative pointed out exemplary differences between the Radha reference (U.S. publication no. 2003/0002579) and the claims as presented. Several minor proposed claim amendments were also discussed during the interview. The examiner agreed that the reference does not appear to disclose "decoding an enhancement layer bitstream without decoding a base layer bitstream." Applicant's representative understood the Examiner to tentatively agree that the claims, amended as proposed during the interview, would be allowable over at least the references of record. Accordingly, Applicant herein amends claims 1, 10, 19 and 28 in the manner discussed during the interview.